

Metropolitan Area Transit Authority and effective date thereof; authorization for transfer of real and personal property, studies, reports, records, and other assets and liabilities, transfer of funds, authorization of appropriations; functions and duties of Agency pending transfer; advisory assistance and planning, engineering, and other services; and expenditures by Agency in performance of services for Authority, was omitted as not having general applicability and is set out in section 1-2438 of the District of Columbia Code.

#### § 681. Omitted

##### CODIFICATION

Section, Pub. L. 89-173, §2, Sept. 8, 1965, 79 Stat. 663, which set out the congressional findings and purposes as to the National Capital Transit System, was omitted as not having general applicability and is set out in section 1-2421 of the District of Columbia Code.

#### §§ 682, 683. Repealed. Pub. L. 91-143, §8(a)(2), Dec. 9, 1969, 83 Stat. 323

Section 682, Pub. L. 89-173, §3, Sept. 8, 1965, 79 Stat. 664; Pub. L. 90-220, Dec. 20, 1967, 81 Stat. 670, authorized the National Capital Transportation Agency to design, engineer, construct, equip, and take other necessary action for establishment of rail rapid transit lines and related facilities for the Nation's Capital, at cost limitation of \$431,000,000, excluding interest costs; required execution of work in accordance with plans and schedules, approval of construction within Capitol Grounds, coordination of construction work, private operation of facilities, advertisement and negotiation of contracts, protection of employees' interests, and labor standards; effect on damages of common carriers engaged in private transportation of persons; and impairment of protection accorded private bus companies.

The provisions of subsecs. (a), (b), (b)(1), and (b)(2) are covered in sections 3 and 3(a), 3(b)(1), 5(a), and 5(b) of the National Capital Transportation Act of 1969, Pub. L. 91-143, Dec. 9, 1969, 83 Stat. 320, 322, set out in sections 1-2452 and 1-2456 of the District of Columbia Code. The provisions of subsecs. (b)(3), (b)(4), and (c), (d), are covered by sections 51 and 54 (operation by contract or lease and selection of contractor) of Article XI (Operation of Facilities) and section 66 (operations) of Article XIV (Labor Policy); section 64 (construction) of Article XIV (Labor Policy); and section 57 (rights of private carriers unaffected) of Article XII (Coordination of Private and Public Facilities), respectively, of Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Compact, set out under section 1-2431 of the District of Columbia Code.

Section 683, Pub. L. 89-173, §4, Sept. 8, 1965, 79 Stat. 665, made applicable the relocation assistance provisions of Pub. L. 88-629, Oct. 6, 1964, 78 Stat. 1004, classified to District of Columbia Code §§5-830 to 5-833. Article XV of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transportation Authority Compact, set out in District of Columbia Code under §1-2431, provides for relocation assistance.

#### §§ 684, 685. Omitted

##### CODIFICATION

Section 684, Pub. L. 89-173, §5(a), Sept. 8, 1965, 79 Stat. 665; Pub. L. 91-143, §8(b), Dec. 9, 1969, 83 Stat. 323, which authorized appropriations for the United States portion and the District of Columbia portion for establishment of the transit system under the National Capital Transportation Act of 1965, was omitted as not having general applicability and is set out in section 1-2422 of the District of Columbia Code.

Section 685, Pub. L. 89-173, §6, Sept. 8, 1965, 79 Stat. 666, which required an annual report to Congress of operations of the National Capital Transportation Agency under the National Capital Transportation Act of 1960. Section 24 of Article XII of Title II (Compact Regu-

latory Provisions) of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact, set out in District of Columbia Code under §1-2411, and sections 70 and 71 of Article XVI of Title III (the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Compact) of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Regulation Compact, set out in District of Columbia Code under §1-2431, require an annual report by the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission and annual reports of audits, programs, operations, and finances by the Board of Directors of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, respectively.

#### CHAPTER 14—SAFETY STANDARDS FOR MOTOR VEHICLES

##### Sec.

- 701. Prohibition on acquisition or purchase of motor vehicles by Federal Government unless equipped with passenger safety devices.
- 702. Commercial standards for passenger safety devices; publication in Federal Register.
- 703. Definitions.

#### § 701. Prohibition on acquisition or purchase of motor vehicles by Federal Government unless equipped with passenger safety devices

No motor vehicle manufactured on or after the effective date of this section shall be acquired by purchase by the Federal Government for use by the Federal Government unless such motor vehicle is equipped with such reasonable passenger safety devices as the Administrator of General Services shall require which conform with standards prescribed by him in accordance with section 702 of this title.

(Pub. L. 88-515, §1, Aug. 30, 1964, 78 Stat. 696.)

##### REFERENCES IN TEXT

For the effective date of this section, referred to in text, see section 4 of Pub. L. 88-515, set out as an Effective Date note below.

##### EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 4 of Pub. L. 88-515 provided that: "This Act [enacting this chapter] shall take effect on the date of its enactment [Aug. 30, 1964] except that the first section of this Act [enacting this section] shall take effect one year and ninety days after the date of publication of commercial standards first established under section 2 of this Act [enacting section 702 of this title]. If such standards as so first established are thereafter changed, such standards, as so changed, shall take effect one year and ninety days after the date of publication of such changed standards."

##### SHORT TITLE

Pub. L. 88-515, Aug. 30, 1964, 78 Stat. 696, which is classified generally to this chapter, is popularly known as the "Roberts Act".

##### SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 702 of this title.

#### § 702. Commercial standards for passenger safety devices; publication in Federal Register

The Administrator of General Services shall prescribe and publish in the Federal Register commercial standards for such passenger safety devices as he may require under authority of section 701 of this title. The standards first established under this section shall be prescribed and published not later than one year from August 30, 1964.

(Pub. L. 88-515, §2, Aug. 30, 1964, 78 Stat. 696.)

## CHANGE OF COMMERCIAL STANDARDS

Change of standards first established under this section effective one year and ninety days after the date of publication of such changed standards, see section 4 of Pub. L. 88-515, set out as an Effective Date note under section 701 of this title.

## SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 701 of this title.

**§ 703. Definitions**

As used in this chapter—

(1) The term “motor vehicle” means any vehicle, self-propelled or drawn by mechanical power, designed for use on the highways principally for the transportation of passengers except any vehicle designed or used for military field training, combat, or tactical purposes.

(2) The term “Federal Government” includes the legislative, executive, and judicial branches of the Government of the United States, and the government of the District of Columbia.

(Pub. L. 88-515, §3, Aug. 30, 1964, 78 Stat. 696.)

**CHAPTER 15—GOVERNMENT LOSSES IN SHIPMENT**

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## CHAPTER REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This chapter is referred to in title 39 section 310.

**§ 721. Rules and regulations for shipment of valuables**

As soon as practicable after July 8, 1937 the Secretary of the Treasury and the United States Postal Service shall, jointly, with the approval of the President, prescribe regulations governing the shipment of valuables by the executive departments, independent establishments, agencies, wholly owned corporations, officers, and employees of the United States, with a view to minimizing risks of loss and destruction of, and damage to, such valuables in shipment. After the effective date of such regulations, which shall be not more than thirty days after their issuance, it shall be the duty of every such executive department, independent establishment, agency, wholly owned corporation, officer, and employee, and of every person acting for him or it, or at his or its direction, to comply with such regulations in making any shipment of valuables.

(July 8, 1937, ch. 444, §1, 50 Stat. 479; Aug. 12, 1970, Pub. L. 91-375, §4(a), 84 Stat. 773.)

## CODIFICATION

Section was formerly classified to section 134 of Title 5 prior to the general revision and enactment of Title

5, Government Organization and Employees, by Pub. L. 89-554, §1, Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 378.

## EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 11 of act of July 8, 1937, previously set out as section 134h of former Title 5, Executive Departments and Government Officers and Employees, provided that: “This Act [see Short Title note below] shall become effective on July 1, 1937.”

## SHORT TITLE

Section 10 of act of July 8, 1937, previously set out as section 134g of former Title 5, Executive Departments and Government Officers and Employees, provided that: “This Act [enacting this chapter and section 738a of former Title 31, Money and Finance, amending section 528 of former Title 31, and repealing sections 735-738 of former Title 31, and enacting provisions set out as a note under this section] may be cited as the ‘Government Losses in Shipment Act’.”

## TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

“United States Postal Service” substituted in text for “Postmaster General” pursuant to Pub. L. 91-375, §4(a), Aug. 12, 1970, 84 Stat. 773, set out as a note under section 201 of Title 39, Postal Service, which abolished office of Postmaster General of Post Office Department and transferred its functions to United States Postal Service.

## DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS

Power of Secretary of the Treasury and Postmaster General [now United States Postal Service] to prescribe, without approval of President, regulations under this section, see section 3(a) of Ex. Ord. No. 10289, Sept. 17, 1951, 16 F.R. 9499, set out as a note under section 301 of Title 3, The President.

## CROSS REFERENCES

Insurance of war risks except as provided in this section, see section 1285 of Title 46, Appendix, Shipping.

## SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in sections 722, 722a, 723, 726, 727 of this title; title 46 App. section 1285; title 49 section 44305.

**§ 722. Fund for losses; appropriations**

There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$500,000 to be used, under the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury, for the replacement of valuables, or the value thereof, lost, destroyed, or damaged in the course of shipment effected pursuant to the regulations prescribed under section 721 of this title. There is hereby further authorized to be appropriated annually, beginning with the fiscal year 1939 and ending with the fiscal year 1948, inclusive, the sum of \$200,000 for the said purposes, and from time to time such additional sums as may be necessary for the said purposes. There shall be in the Treasury of the United States a revolving fund, to be known as “the fund for the payment of Government losses in shipment” (hereinafter referred to as “the fund”), to be constituted of the said sum of \$500,000 and the sums appropriated on and after July 8, 1937 for the said purposes, together with all recoveries and repayments credited to the fund as provided in section 723 of this title. There is hereby further authorized to be appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$10,000, for expenditures